Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—We shall inquire.

Mr. S. RAMAPPA.—Are the Government aware that three-fourths of the lumpsum allotment for town and minor municipalities are used up for the improvement of town municipalities only in certain districts?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—The grant is not allotted by districts. According as schemes become ready and are sent to Government, funds will be sanctioned

Mr. S. RANGARAMIAH.—Have the Government sanctioned, as a matter of course, grants in all cases where schemes have been submitted?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—That is not always possible.

Nawab SHER KHAN.—Has the Honnali Municipality sent up any drainage scheme, and if so, may I know why the scheme has not been sanctioned?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—It will come up for consideration this year.

Dam across Seegehalla.

Q.—34. Messrs. N. G. RUDRAPPA and Patel BASAPPA (Shimoga Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a survey has been made for the construction of a dam across Seegehalla which flows from Shankar Gudda, in order to supply water through channels to a few tanks of Kumsi Sub-Taluk and Shimoga Taluk;

(*b*) what are the names of the tanks that get supply of water;

(*c*) what is the amount of the estimate?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Mr. R. W. Scaldwell).—

(*a*) and (*c*) A project has been prepared costing Rs. 99,000.

(*b*) A statement of the tanks that are proposed to be supplied is attached (*vide* Appendix).

Mr. N. G. RUDRAPPA.—When was the project prepared?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—In 1922.

Mr. N. G. RUDRAPPA.—How many acres are expected to be supplied with water by the proposed project?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—About 2,800 acres.

Mr. N. G. RUDRAPPA.—What will be the revenue to Government?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—About Rs. 6,700.

Mr. N. G. RUDRAPPA.—When will the work be taken up?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—After sanction is accorded.

Mr. N. G. RUDRAPPA.—Is it under contemplation to take it up next year?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—No. It will have to be thought of whether the increasing of the capacities of the unrestored tanks is not necessary to be simultaneously taken up.

Railway Line from Byadagi to Sagar.

Q.—35. Mr. Surangi SIDDABASAPPA (Shikarpur Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Railway Department had under contemplation at any time a scheme of extending the railway line from Byadagi to Sagar;

(*b*) whether the places through which the line should run have been determined and the line surveyed;

(*c*) what is the estimated cost;

(*d*) when was the estimate prepared?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT for RAILWAYS (Mr. B. T. Kesavaiengar).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The line has not been surveyed at any time before.

(*c*) No definite data can be given without detailed engineering and traffic surveys of the proposed line.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of answer to clause (*c*) above.

Mr. Surangi SIDDABASAPPA.—Do the Government agree that the extension of the railway line from Byadagi to Sagar will be helpful to a vast section of the public?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The question is beset with certain practical difficulties. Nearly a half of the tract between Sagar and Byadagi belongs to

another Government. If we extend the line up to our boundary in that tract and if the other Government does not take up the line further, what is the use of our extending the line?

Mr. Surangi SIDDABASAPPA.—Why not communicate with the other Government?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—That is not found necessary since it is ascertained that the line will not pay.

Mr. Surangi SIDDABASAPPA.—Will it be taken up if the traffic possibilities are expected to be satisfactory?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—There are other lines which are considered more urgent.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—What is the object with which the Anandapuram line is made to terminate at Sagar? And what purpose will be served unless the line is continued right up to Bhatkal?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—I cannot answer that now. For the present, it is not under contemplation to extend the line beyond Sagar.

Mr. S. RANGARAMIAH.—Which are the other practical difficulties referred to by the Railway Secretary? Are there any secret reasons why the line cannot be extended?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—There are no secrets. As stated already, the traffic possibilities are not such as to induce the Government to extend the line.

Mr. C. N. NARASINGA RAO.—Even without preparing the estimate, how can Government say that the extension of the line will be unremunerative?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Surveys themselves will cost much and unless there is a prospect of taking up the line, what is the use of estimating?

Mr. U. L. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—What is the distance between Sagar and Bhatkal?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Sixty miles.

Mr. U. L. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—As the distance is not long, why not extend the line up to Bhatkal?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—As stated already, the jurisdiction over all the tract is not ours exclusively.

Dam across Mavinhole Halla.

Q.—36. **Mr. L. SIDDAPPA** (Channagiri Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any petitions have been received for the construction of a dam across the *Mavinhole halla* near Mavinhole village in Channagiri Taluk;

(*b*) whether any survey has been made for this project?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Mr. R. W. Scaldwell).**—

(*a*) and (*b*) The answer is in the affirmative.

Mr. L. SIDDAPPA.—When was the survey made?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—Between the years 1911 and 1914.

Mr. L. SIDDAPPA.—Why has the work not been taken up yet?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—Because it would affect the supply to the Sulekere Tank situated lower down, by intercepting part of its catchment.

Mr. L. SIDDAPPA.—In that case, is there any hope of constructing the *anicut* at all?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—Yes. After the Lakkavalli project is undertaken, the Sulekere Tank will be fed thereby and then we can take up the Mavinhole project.

Bridge on the Salem-Bellary Road.

Q.—38. **Messrs Venkatapathi THIMMIAH** and **Patel MALLAPPA** (Chitaldrug Taluk); **T. SHADAKSHARAPPA** and **D. SIVASANKARAYYA** (Challakere Taluk); **K. KENCHAPPA** and **B. SITHARAMIAH** (Hiriyur Taluk); **Patti BASAPPA** and **Kamareddy MALLAPPA** (Molakalmuru Taluk); **Patel CHENNAPPA** and **GOWDA SIVAPPA** (Davangere Taluk); **GOWDA ESWARAPPA, son of Mr. Nanjappa Gowda** and **GOWDA ESWARAPPA, son of Mr. Rangappa** (Holalkere Taluk); **B. V. NAGESHA SETTY** and **B. MARULAPPA** (Hosadurga Taluk); **J. S. MAHALINGAPPA** and **MALKAPPA** (Jagalur Taluk); **BASAVANNA GOWDA** (Harihar Sub-Taluk); **S. RANGA RAO** (Chitaldrug Municipality); **M. GURUSIDDAPPA** (Davangere Municipality) and **MAHOMED USMAN SAHEB** (Harihar Municipality).—